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Re: In re the Application of: Masaaki HAMADA
Serial No.: 10/663,527 Art Unit: 3683
Date Filed: September 15, 2003 Conf. No. 3564
Title: CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY AND CONNECTING DEVICE FOR STEERING
WHEEL

Our Docket No.: 788_116

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PATENT AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

(Provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 Apply)

Application Number	10/663,527	Filing Date	September 15, 2003
Group Art Unit	3683	Examiner Name	Christopher P. Schwartz
Confirmation No.	3564	Attorney Docket No.	788_116
Inventor(s)	Masaaki HAMADA		
Invention:	CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY AND CONNECTING DEVICE FOR STEERING WHEEL		

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest Number Previously Paid	(5) No. of Extra Claims Present	(6) Rate (Large Entity)	(7) Additional Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	MINUS	20	0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$88.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0.00

EXTENSION OF TERM

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☐ This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

- ☐ One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$120.00
- ☐ Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$450.00
- ☐ Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1,020.00

SUBTOTAL OF FEES DUE

\$ 0.00

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

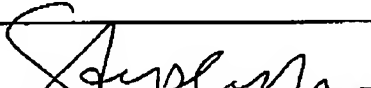
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.